GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4636
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SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Special Police Officers at present associated with the Delhi Police;

(b) whether they are appointed for life or there is a fixed tenure for them;

(c) whether their performance is evaluated;

(d) if so, the manner in which it is evaluated;

(e) the number of new appointees during each of the last three years; and

(f) the manner by which they were selected?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): The number of Special Police Officers at present associated with Delhi Police is 1163.

(b): The appointment is made for a period of one year.

(c)&(d): After six months of their appointment, a report is prepared by the Assistant Commissioner of Police concerned regarding their suitability on the basis of their performance and the same is submitted to District Deputy Commissioner of Police to decide on their continuance as Special Police Officers or otherwise.

(e): The requisite information is given as under :-

Year	Number of Special Police Officers appointed
1997	179
1998	233
1999	159
2000	146

(f): The Special Police Officers are selected by the District Deputy Commissioner of Police from amongst able bodied persons from the neighbourhood not below 18 years of age provided they are not involved in any criminal case. The selection is made after assessment, inter alia, of their capability to assist the police in maintaining law and order and their social standing in the neighbourhood.